

## Action by Missouri Clean Water Commission

Date of Action: September 7, 2005

Water Body:

Name: Sandy Creek  
Classification: C  
Identification #: 0652  
Length of Segment: 3.0 miles  
County (ies): Putnam

Use Attainability Analysis (UAA) Finding(s):

A whole body contact (WBC) recreational UAA was submitted by department staff on July 12, 2005. The UAA was submitted to evaluated Criterion #2: Natural, Ephemeral, Intermittent or Low flow conditions.

Review Committee Recommendation (RCR):

**Committee Recommendation:** ☐ Retain Use ☐ Modify Use ☒ Remove Use ☐ Inconclusive

The UAA review committee determined the UAA supported removing remove the WBC recreational use, based on the overall shallow depth of the stream.

Summary of Comment(s):

(1) A family commented that they swim in Sandy Creek at the Cotton Trail Bridge (2) Others stated they also swim and fish there. (3) UAA 1234: Data was collected before noon on a Wednesday, when WBCR would not be likely to be observed. The impact of cattle access on hydrology was not considered. The creek was dry with pools in some locations. There was no attempt to investigate when flows fill channel. No water quality data was collected. No interviews were conducted to determine possible WBC recreation at other times of year. The recommendation of review committee should be reversed. A longer term study is needed.

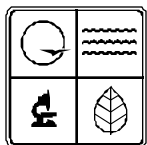
Commission Action on Comment(s):

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Because of comments received, the Commission voted to retain the WBC recreational use designation from the mouth of Sandy Creek upstream to Section 19, Township 66 North, Range 17 West (19,66N,17W). The commission directed further investigation to determine specific locations and extent of recreational activities.

Final Order of Rulemaking:

The whole body contact recreational use designation will be retained on Sandy Creek in Putman County from the mouth upstream to 19,66N,17W (3.0 miles).



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